REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified Application is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 2, 4 - 9, 11 - 18 and 20 are in the case. Claims 3, 10 and 19 were previously canceled. Claims 1, 2, 4 - 9, 11 - 18 and 20 have been canceled herein. Claim 21 has been added.

Regarding the rejection of Claims 1, 2, 4 - 9, 11 - 18 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Kurtulik et al. in view of Rearick, Claims 1, 2, 4 - 9, 11 - 18 and 20 have been canceled, thereby rendering this rejection moot. Wherefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that new Claim 21 clearly distinguishes patentably over the prior art. Support for this claim is found in the Specification, e.g. at page 10, line 13, through page 11, line 19.

It is thus respectfully submitted that the claims now in the case recite the patentably distinguishing features of the invention and that, taken together with the above remarks, the present application is now in proper form for allowance. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, and allowance of the claims are requested at an early date.

While it is believed that the instant amendment places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, the Applicants petition for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees to the Deposit Account No. 20-0668

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